

stockton
SENTINEL

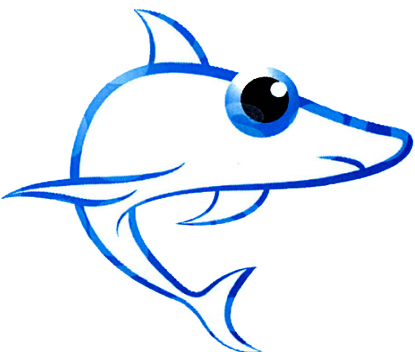
ROOKS COUNTY, KANSAS

COMING TO YOU FROM THE HEARTLAND OF AMERICA

10 PAGES

Newsline

IN THIS ISSUE



**Stockton Tiger Sharks
compete in first swim
meet of the season**

Page 6A

WEEKEND WEATHER

FRIDAY		
Sunny with winds from the SSW at 26 m.p.h.		HIGH: 103 LOW: 79
SATURDAY		
Sunny with winds from the SSW at 26 m.p.h.		HIGH: 101 LOW: 77
SUNDAY		
Sunny with winds from the SSW at 25 m.p.h.		HIGH: 95 LOW: 71

Inside the Sentinel

And So They Say	10A
Business Directory	4A
Card of Thanks	
Church Directory	7A
Classifieds	3A
Court News	2A, 5A & 7A
Deaths	5A
Kansas Klips	9A
Lowell Township News	10A
Nova Newsreel	2A
Public Notices	9A
Sports	6A
Weather	10A
Yesteryear	8A & 9A

Reaching Us:

Phone: 785.425.6354
Fax: 785.425.7292
Email: stocktonsentinel@gmail.com
P.O. Box 521 — 414 Main Street
Stockton, KS 67669

Venmo & PayPal
are accepted
HERE!



venmo



PayPal

SCRIPTURE
OF THE WEEK

For God, who commanded
the light to shine... hath
shined in our hearts.
— II Corinthians 4:6 —



8 10499 02194 9



BRYAN GARVERT oversees all aspects of his laser engraving business, Intricate Customs, from design development to finished product.

Intricate Customs
makes lasting mark

By VIRGI LASKA
Stockton Sentinel

Intricate Customs, a laser engraving business, is owned and operated by 2025 Plainville High School graduate Bryan Garvert. It began when Garvert was in eighth grade (2021) and competed in the Rooks County Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge (YEC), a competition for Rooks County students that showcases their inner entrepreneur and million-dollar ideas where individuals or small teams create an imaginary, yet possible, business that could, if started, generate a profit.

Garvert chose to develop original, custom-machined products, such as plaques and coasters, through laser printing and worked on marketing strategies to advertise his products. He chose the name "Intricate" after searching infrequently used adjectives that could be used to make a catchy name and interesting logo for his business.

Garvert competed in the Rooks County Challenge three times, placing second in the first two challenges as an eighth-grader and a freshman and eventually placing first in his junior

year. He steadily worked on his products and business strategies each year and took what he learned to the competitions. He qualified for the Kansas State Entrepreneurship Challenge (KEC) twice: once as a wild-card entry in his freshman year and again as the Rooks County winner in his junior year.

At State, he ranked as a top-tier business both years, taking home significant cash prizes of \$1,200.00 and \$1,700.00. He reinvested the money back into his business by upgrading his laser

engraver, buying more stock, and eventually purchasing a CNC machine.

Garvert currently owns a 3D printer, a laser engraver, and a CNC machine. He has also invested in the tools and supplies needed to maintain his equipment.

What began as a small business with a desktop laser engraver has grown significantly, allowing Garvert to purchase new machines, offer additional products, and learn new software. Most of his orders are

SEE GARVERT, 9A



THIS PAST SPRING, Garvert supplied 40 plaques for the 2025 Kansas State Entrepreneurship Challenge.

School Board working on
filling teaching positions

By VIRGI LASKA
Stockton Sentinel

The Stockton USD 271 Board of Education's monthly meeting held on Monday, June 9th had several items on the agenda, with the first being the approval from the board members to allow for the removal and disposal of items from the District Office and storage units on school property at the discretion of Superintendent Angela McCollum. After a short discussion,

the board members decided to table the approval of the 2025-2026 handbooks until the July meeting.

Superintendent McCollum then presented the Child Nutrition Wellness 2026 Program Agreement and CNP Procurement Plan to the board members. After reviewing the papers, the board members approved the program and plan as written.

Next, the board members voted to allow the Superintendent to purchase and/or

transfer funds as needed to close the 2024-2025 school year, including the Contingency Fund. They also approved the transfers to funds deemed appropriate by the Superintendent, Clerk, and Auditor after the audit has been performed for the 2024-2025 school year.

The board members tabled the sale of District technology items until the July meeting so they have more

SEE SCHOOL, 2A

Chip seal planned
on U.S. 24 in Rooks
& Osborne counties

The Kansas Department of Transportation plans to begin a chip seal project on portions of U.S. 24 in Rooks and Osborne counties this week.

Work will take place on approximately 19 miles of U.S. 24, starting near Pleasant Street in Stockton and ending just east of Alton. Traffic will be reduced to one lane in areas where crews are actively working and directed by flaggers and a pilot car. Motorists should plan for delays of 15 minutes or less during daylight hours.

KDOT expects the project to be completed in July, conditions permitting.

Circle C Paving of Goddard is the project's primary contractor, with a total contract cost of approximately \$846,000.

River Valley Church
to host Ice Cream
Social this Friday
Ice Cream Eating Contest!

Calling all sixth through twelfth-grade students! Join the River Valley Church (120 South Spruce in Stockton) this Friday, June 20th, for an Ice Cream Social. The event will take place from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

We look forward to seeing you there for some delicious ice cream, games, and fellowship! The River Valley Youth and The Chosen Youth Group are sponsoring this social, featuring an ice cream eating contest!

(Look for the ad in this week's issue.)

183 Lanes Summer
Dining and Kitchen
Hours announced

Closed on Fridays during the summer months

183 Lanes in Stockton has closed down the lanes for the summer with "No Bowling" from Monday, June 9th till Saturday, August 23rd, with the leagues to start up again on Monday, September 8th.

Please note these Summer Dining and Kitchen Hours: 183 Lanes will be CLOSED ON FRIDAYS from Friday, June 13th through Friday August 22nd. Dining and Kitchen Hours will be 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Dining and Kitchen Hours will be from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. Then on Saturdays and Sundays, the hours will be from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Also, during the summer months, please make note of the days 183 Lanes will be closed. They are Friday, July 4th (Fourth of July), and Friday, July 18th through Saturday, July 26th. (Please look for the ad in this edition.)

Special school board
sports meeting held

Members of the community came together on Monday, June 9th at the Stockton USD 271 District Office to talk about sports for the upcoming school year. The concern centers around high school girls volleyball and basketball due to low numbers for those sports, as well as the District needing coaches for those positions.

There are girls coming up from

SEE SPECIAL, 6A